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- (54) GENE AND PROTEIN RELATED TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

GENE AND PROTEIN RELATED TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to Alzheimer's Disease and, more particularly, to the identification of a gene 5 and gene product associated with Alzheimer's Disease.

Background of the Invention

In order to facilitate reference to various journal articles, a listing of articles is provided at the end of the specification.

Wingless 1 (Wnt1) is a gene involved in signal 10 transduction in D. melanogaster, Xenopus, rodents, human and many other vertebrates and invertebrates. The gene is involved in signaling during embryonic axis development, but it is also expressed in adult tissues. 15 Wnt1 exerts its effect through binding to the receptor Drosophila frizzled 2 (Dfz2)1, modulating the activity of disheveled 2, which suppresses the activity of the cytoplasmic serine/threonine kinase zeste white 3 (also known as glycogen synthase kinase 3b- GSK3b) 3. Inhibition 20 of the phosphorylation of cytoplasmic proteins such as armadillo (also known as β -catenin) by inhibition of GSK3ß causes the accumulation of these proteins (normal phosphorylated arm proteins are targeted for rapid

25 Description of the Invention

proteasome mediated degradation) 3,4.

Genetic linkage studies have defined that a subset of pedigrees segregating familial Alzheimer Disease (FAD) but lacking mutations in the β -amyloid precursor protein gene (β APP), presenilin 1 or presenilin 2 genes (PS2), 30 show cosegregation of the disease trait with genetic markers in the pericentromeric region of chromosome 12. The genetic markers D12S1057 and D12S1042 generate lod scores of z \geq +3.00 at low recombination factions and significant evidence for co-inheritance with an FAD trait using non-parametric statistics such as Affected Pedigree Member methods (M. Pericak-Vance, 11th International

Several candidate genes exist in the vicinity of these genetic marker loci, including the human Wingless 1 gene (hWnt1) whose biochemical properties would place it in biochemical pathways involving other FAD susceptibility genes such as β APP and PS1.

5 susceptibility genes such as βAPP and PS1. A role for the Wnt pathway in Alzheimer's Disease (AD) is revealed by two observations. First, GSK3B is known to be the enzyme principally responsible for the hyperphosphorylation of the microtubule associated 10 protein Tau in AD brain tissue ⁵. Hyperphosphorylated Tau is in turn a principal component of the paired helical filament structures which form the Neurofibrillary Tangle, one of the major neuropathologic hallmarks of AD 6. Secondly, another member of the armadillo protein 15 family (GT24) has been shown to interact with PS1 (Levesque et al., in press). These observations suggest that mutations in the hWnt1 gene may be responsible for some cases of AD. These mutations might cause aberrant regulation of intracellular functions mediated by GSK3b 20 (e.g. defective activation of the Wnt pathway causing suppression of GSK3 β mediated hyperphosphorylation of Tau) or GT24 (e.g. aberrant regulation of the interaction of GT24 with PS1 and PS2 with resultant defects in the known biological activities of PS1 and PS2 such as 25 abnormal sensitivity to apoptosis 7, aberrant processing of βAPP ⁸ and aberrant processing of the proteasome subunit S5a (Fraser et al., In Press). Evidence for a possible defect in GSK3β action in AD has been provided by biochemical and immunochemical assays showing 30 increased immunoreactivity in AD brain tissue where it is expressed in appropriate cell types 5,9. Other deleterious effects of persistent activation of GSK3β (also known as Tau Protein Kinase I - TPKI) include defects in energy

metabolism and defects in choline acetyl transferase
35 activity (which is another biochemical marker of AD) 5.

The fact that Wnt1 is predominantly expressed in

severe embryonic defects in axial patterning does not preclude a role for mutations other than homozygous null mutants (i.e. knockouts) in adult onset neurodegeneration. Missense mutations in other embryonic signal transduction proteins important in axial patterning (i.e. Notch 3) have been associated with other adult onset neurodegenerative diseases such as CADASIL 10.

The genomic DNA sequence of the human <u>Wnt1</u> gene has been determined by van Ooyen et al., (23) and is shown in Table 1; the deduced amino acid sequence is shown in Table 2.

Primer sequences have been prepared, as described in Example 1, which permit the PCR amplification of each exon of the hWnt1 gene, allowing examination of the nucleotide sequence of the exons of this gene in a selected subject such as an AD patient. Amplified exons can be sequenced using standard methods and primers as described in Example 1.

GenOmic DNA from white blood cells of an FAD patient 20 from the Tor 117 pedigree, associated with autopsy-proven FAD, was examined. A nucleotide substitution was found at nucleotide 1441 (nucleotide numbering as Table 1).

The T→A substitution in Exon 2 of the hWnt1 gene will lead to a non-conservative amino acid change, Ser88 25 being replaced by Arg.

The mutation co-segregates in the Tor 117 pedigre and is seen in four other AD affected members of the pedigree.

The identification of the association between FAD 30 and the hWntl gene by the present inventors enables numerous applications.

In one series of embodiments, this invention provides primers complementary to the Wntl gene sequence which may be used to identify mutations causing AD, as exemplified by the identification of the missense mutation described in Example 1.

In accordance with another aspect of the invention, a recombinant vector for transforming a mammalian or invertebrate tissue cell to express a normal or mutant Wntl sequence in the cells is provided.

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides for host cells which have been transfected or otherwise transformed with the nucleotide sequence of the Wntl gene. The cells may be transformed merely for purposes of propagating an inserted nucleic acid construct, or may be transformed so as to express the normal or mutant Wntl protein. The transformed cells of the invention may be used in assays to identify proteins and/or other compounds which affect normal or mutant Wntl expression, which interact with the normal or mutant Wntl proteins, and/or which modulate the function or effects of the normal or mutant proteins, or to produce Wntl proteins, fusion proteins, functional domains, antigenic determinants, and/or antibodies to the Wntl protein.

Transformed cells may also be implanted into hosts, including humans, for therapeutic or other reasons.

Preferred host cells include mammalian cells from neuronal, fibroblast, bone marrow, spleen, organotypic or mixed cell cultures, as well as bacterial, yeast,

25 nematode, insect and other invertebrate cells. For uses as described below, preferred cells also include embryonic stem cells, zygotes, gametes, and germ line cells.

In another series of embodiments, the present
invention provides transgenic animal models for AD and
other diseases or disorders associated with mutations in
the Wntl gene. The animal may be essentially any mammal,
including rats, mice, hamsters, guinea pigs, rabbits,
dogs, cats, goats, sheep, pigs, and non-human primates.
In addition, invertebrate models, including nematodes and

35 In addition, invertebrate models, including nematodes and insects, may be used for certain applications. The

including microinjection, transfection, or other forms of transformation of embryonic stem cells, zygotes, gametes, and germ line cells with vectors including genomic or cDNA fragments, minigenes, homologous recombination 5 vectors, viral insertion vectors and the like. vectors include vaccinia virus, adenovirus, adeno associated virus, retrovirus, liposome transport, neuraltropic viruses, and Herpes simplex virus. The animal models may include transgenic sequences comprising 10 or derived from the Wntl gene, including normal and mutant sequences, intronic, exonic and untranslated sequences, and sequences encoding subsets of the Wntl protein, such as functional domains. The major types of animal models provided include: (1) Animals in which a 15 normal human Wntl gene has been recombinantly introduced ' into the genome of the animal as an additional gene, under the regulation of either an exogenous or an endogenous promoter element, and as either a minigene or a large genomic fragment; and animals in which a normal 20 human Wnt1 gene has been recombinantly substituted for one or both copies of the animal's homologous Wntl gene by homologous recombination or gene targeting; and/or in which one or both copies of one of the animal's homologous Wntl genes have been recombinantly "humanized" 25 by the partial substitution of sequences encoding the human homologue by homologous recombination or gene targeting . (2) Animals in which a mutant human Wntl gene has been recombinantly introduced into the genome of the animal as an additional gene, under the regulation of 30 either an exogenous or an endogenous promoter element, and as either a minigene or a large genomic fragment; and animals in which a mutant human Wntl gene has been recombinantly substituted for one or both copies of the animal's homologous Wntl gene by homologous recombination 35 or gene targeting; and/or in which one or both copies of one of the animal's homologous Wntl genes have been

sequences encoding a mutant human homologue by homologous recombination or gene targeting. (3) Animals in which a mutant version of one of that animal's Wntl genes has been recombinantly introduced into the genome of the 5 animal as an additional gene, under the regulation of either an exogenous or an endogenous promoter element, and as either a minigene or a large genomic fragment; and/or in which a mutant version of one of that animal's Wntl genes has been recombinantly substituted for one or 10 both copies of the animal's homologous Wntl gene by homologous recombination or gene targeting. (4)out" animals in which one or both copies of one of the animal's Wntl genes have been partially or completely deleted by homologous recombination or gene targeting, or 15 have been inactivated by the insertion or substitution by homologous recombination or gene targeting of exogenous In preferred embodiments, a transgenic mouse model for AD has a transgene encoding a normal human Wnt1 protein, a mutant human or murine Wntl protein, or a 20 humanized normal or mutant murine Wntl protein.

The present invention also specifically provides for mutant or disease-causing variants of the human Wntl protein by disclosing a specific mutant sequences and by providing methods by which other such variants may be 25 routinely obtained. Because the Wnt1 proteins may be used in a variety of diagnostic, therapeutic and recombinant applications, various subsets of the Wntl protein sequence and combinations of the Wntl protein sequence with heterologous sequences are also provided. 30 For example, for use as immunogens or in binding assays, subsets of the Wntl protein sequence, including both normal and mutant sequences, are provided. Such protein sequences may comprise a small number of consecutive amino acid residues from the sequence disclosed herein 35 but preferably include at least 4-8, and preferably at least 9-15 consecutive amino acid residues from a Wntl

sequence include those corresponding to one or more of the functional domains or antigenic determinants of the Wntl protein and, in particular, may include either normal (wild-type) or mutant sequences. The invention also provides for various protein constructs in which Wntl sequence, either complete or subsets, is joined to exogenous sequences to form fusion proteins and the like.

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides for the production and use of

10 polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies, including antibody fragments, including Fab fragments, F(ab')₂, and single chain antibody fragments, which selectively bind to the Wntl protein, or to specific antigenic determinants of the protein for use in various diagnostic, therapeutic

15 and technical applications described herein. The antibodies may be raised in mouse, rabbit, goat or other suitable animals, or may be produced recombinantly in cultured cells such as hybridoma cell lines. Preferably, the antibodies are raised against Wntl sequences

20 comprising at least 4-8, and preferably at least 9-15 consecutive amino acid residues from the Wntl sequence.

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides methods of screening or identifying proteins, small molecules or other compounds which are capable of inducing or inhibiting the expression of the hWntl gene. The assays may be performed in vitro using non-transformed cells, immortalized cell lines, or recombinant cell lines, or in vivo using the transgenic animal models enabled herein. In particular, the assays may detect the presence of increased or decreased expression of hWntl or other Wntl-related genes or proteins on the basis of increased or decreased mRNA expression, increased or decreased levels of presentlin-related protein products, or increased or decreased levels of expression of a marker gene (e.g., β-galactosidase, green fluorescent protein, alkaline

regulatory region in a recombinant construct. Cells known to express a particular Wnt1, or transformed to express Wnt1, are incubated and one or more test compounds are added to the medium. After allowing a sufficient period of time (e.g., 0-72 hours) for the compound to induce or inhibit the expression of the hWnt1 gene, any change in levels of expression from an established baseline may be detected using any of the techniques described above. In particularly preferred embodiments, the cells are from an immortalized cell line such as a human neuroblastoma, glioblastoma or a hybridoma cell line, or are transformed cells of the invention.

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides methods for identifying proteins and 15 other compounds which bind to, or otherwise directly interact with, hWnt1 protein. The proteins and compounds will include endogenous cellular components which interact with the Wntl protein in vivo and which, therefore, provide new targets for pharmaceutical and 20 therapeutic interventions, as well as recombinant, synthetic and otherwise exogenous compounds which may have Wnt1 protein binding capacity and, therefore, may be candidates for pharmaceutical agents. Thus, in one series of embodiments, cell lysates or tissue homogenates 25 (e.g., human brain homogenates, lymphocyte lysates) may be screened for proteins or other compounds which bind either to normal or to mutant Wntl protein. Alternatively, any of a variety of exogenous compounds, both naturally occurring and/or synthetic (e.g., 30 libraries of small molecules or peptides), may be screened for Wnt1 binding capacity. In each of these embodiments, an assay is conducted to detect binding between a "Wntl component" and some other moiety. The "Wntl component" in these assays may be any polypeptide 35 comprising or derived from a normal or mutant Wntl protein, including functional domains or antigenic

proteins. Binding may be detected by non-specific measures (e.g., changes in intracellular Ca²⁺, GTP/GDP ratio) or by specific measures (e.g., changes in Ab peptide production or changes in the expression of other 5 downstream genes which can be monitored by differential display, 2D gel electrophoresis, differential hybridization, or SAGE methods). The preferred methods involve variations on the following techniques: (1) direct extraction by affinity chromatography; (2) co-10 isolation of Wntl components and bound proteins or other compounds by immunoprecipitation; (3) the Biomolecular Interaction Assay (BIAcore); and (4) the yeast two-hybrid systems.

The identification of other cellular proteins which

15 interact with the hWntl protein, as described above,
enables the identification of other genes involved in the
biochemical pathway causing AD.

Alternatively, tissues, fluids or cells of ADaffected or at-risk subjects can be used for the analysis
20 of the DNA sequence, transcriptional pattern, protein
expression, protein post-translational modification
(phosphorylation etc), and biochemical/functional
activity of other genes known to function in the same
biochemical pathways as these genes. Thus, for Wnt1,
25 these other genes would include other members of the
mammalian Wingless family of genes, other genes in the
known Wingless signalling pathways (e.g. frizzled
receptors, dishevelled homologues, glycogen synthetase
kinase 3β, other armadillo proteins), and other genes
30 known to be involved in process of wingless (e.g.
mammalian homologues of porcupine¹¹).

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides for methods of identifying proteins, small molecules and other compounds capable of modulating the activity of normal or mutant Wnt1 protein. Using normal cells or animals, the transformed cells and

cells obtained from subjects bearing normal or mutant hWnt1 genes, the present invention provides methods of identifying such compounds on the basis of their ability to affect the expression of theWntl, the intracellular 5 localization of Wntl protein, intracellular Ca2+, Na+, K+ or other ion levels or metabolism, the occurrence or rate of apoptosis or cell death, the levels or pattern of Ab peptide production, the presence or levels of phosphorylation of microtubule associated proteins, or 10 other biochemical, histological, or physiological markers which distinguish cells bearing normal and mutant Wntl sequences. Using the transgenic animals of the invention, methods of identifying such compounds are also provided on the basis of the ability of the compounds to 15 affect behavioral, physiological or histological phenotypes associated with mutations in Wnt1 protein.

In another series of embodiments, the present invention provides methods for screening for carriers of Wnt1 alleles associated with AD, for diagnosis of victims 20 of AD, and for the screening and diagnosis of related presenile and senile dementias, psychiatric diseases such as schizophrenia and depression, and neurologic diseases such as stroke and cerebral hemorrhage, which associated with mutations in the Wntl gene. Screening and/or 25 diagnosis can be accomplished by methods based upon the nucleic acids, proteins, and/or antibodies disclosed and enabled herein, including functional assays designed to detect failure or augmentation of the normal Wnt1 activity and/or the presence of specific new activities 30 conferred by the mutant Wntl protein. Thus, screens and diagnostics based upon Wntl proteins are provided which detect differences between mutant and normal Wnt1 in electrophoretic mobility, in proteolytic cleavage patterns, in molar ratios of the various amino acid 35 residues, in ability to bind specific antibodies. addition, screens and diagnostics based upon nucleic

in nucleotide sequences by direct nucleotide sequencing, hybridization using allele specific oligonucleotides, restriction enzyme digest and mapping (e.g., RFLP. REF-SSCP), electrophoretic mobility (e.g., SSCP, DGGE), PCR mapping, RNase protection, chemical mismatch cleavage, ligase-mediated detection, and various other methods. In accordance with these embodiments, diagnostic kits are also provided which will include the reagents necessary for the above-described diagnostic screens.

In another series of embodiments, the present 10 invention provides methods and pharmaceutical preparations for use in the treatment of Wnt1-associated diseases such as AD. These methods and pharmaceuticals are be based upon (1) administration of normal Wnt1 15 proteins, (2) gene therapy with a normal Wntl gene to compensate for or replace a mutant gene, (3) gene therapy based upon antisense sequences to a mutant Wntl gene or which "knock-out" the mutant gene, (4) gene therapy based upon sequences which encode a protein which blocks or 20 corrects the deleterious effects of Wnt1 mutants, (5) immunotherapy based upon antibodies to normal and/or mutant Wnt1 proteins, or (6) small molecules (drugs) which alter Wntl expression, block abnormal interactions between mutant forms of Wntl and other proteins or 25 ligands, or which otherwise block the aberrant function of mutant Wnt1 proteins by altering the structure of the mutant proteins, by enhancing their metabolic clearance, or by inhibiting their function.

The activity of hWnt1 can be manipulated
30 pharmacologically by several mechanisms including drugs
which promote or inhibit post-translational modification
of the Wnt1 protein (e.g. phorbol esters okadaic acid to
alter phosphorylation state, inhibitors of glycosylation
etc.).

The wingless signalling pathway is well worked out

invertebrate and vertebrate animals. These systems can be used to devise means of altering the activity of mutant or wild type wingless signalling pathways (ie wingless and its downstream partners including glycogen 5 synthase kinase 3 beta) in humans with AD regardless of whether AD arises as a result of mutations in wingless or arising through other mechanisms. Such modulating mechanisms would include the following items.

What signalling pathways can be modulated by Lithium (24), by protein kinase C inhibitors such as Ro31-8220 as well as phorbol esters (25), as well as by decapentaplegic protein (24) and Notch (27) either by directly influencing Wingless express or by influencing downstream elements in the wingless signaling pathway.

15 These, or analogues or antagonists could be used to modulate wingless signaling (and relevant downstream events such as glycogen synthase kinase 3-beta (GSK-3b) activation in patients with AD and can be used as starting points for drug design.

Because Wnt1 binds to specific proteins and/or receptor-like molecules (Wnt1 binds to fizzled receptors¹) these interactions can be modelled and used to develop selective antagonists, agonist, competitive inhibitors or competitive agonists which possess selective activities against mutant isoforms of these proteins.

The sequences can be used to identify other genes involved in the biochemical pathway causing AD by employing techniques such as yeast-two-hybrid methods to identify other cellular proteins interacting with the 30 respective protein. Alternatively, tissues. fluids or cells of AD affected or at-risk subjects can be used for the analysis of the DNA sequence, transcriptional pattern, protein expression, protein post-translational modification (phosphorylation etc), and

function in the same biochemical pathways as these genes. Thus, for Wnt1 these other genes would include other members of the mammalian Wingless family of genes, other genes in the known Wingless signaling pathways (e.g. frizzled receptors, dishevelled homologues, glycogen synthetase kinase 3β , other armadillo proteins), and other genes known to be involved in processing of wingless (e.g. mammalian homologues of $porcupine^{-11}$).

The nucleotide sequences and/or proteins can

themselves be used as direct therapeutic agents.

Dominant loss of function mutations (constitutively inactive) and dominant gain of function mutations (constitutively active) have been described in Wntl.

Thus if disease causing mutations in these genes have a dominant negative effect, appropriate nucleotides or recombinant proteins can be made with a countervailing dominant gain of function activities and administered via several routes such as protein infusion (Wntl is a soluble extracellular molecule) or transfection (using vectors such as H. simplex).

Assays exist for the Wnt1 gene (e.g. transformation of C57MG mammary epithelial cell lines¹², myogenesis in somites and segmental plates co-cultured with Wnt1¹³, biochemical assays of armadillo levels in cultured
25 Drosophila cl-8 imaginal disc cell lines¹⁴). These in vitro assays can be used to judge the effect of the FAD related missense mutations and to screen for drugs which act at Wnt1 itself, at upstream, or at downstream sites in the Wnt signaling pathways, and which might be used to counteract the effect of the Wnt1 mutations.

In accordance with another aspect of the invention, the proteins of the invention can be used as starting points for rational drug design to provide ligands, therapeutic drugs or other types of small chemical

compounds identified by screening assays may serve as "lead compounds" in rational drug design.

Example 1

Genomic sequences for each exon of hWnt1 can be amplified 5 using primers 1306 (5'-AGCCTCCTCCCGTCACTTCAG) and 1307 (5'-GGATCATTCGCCCCACTTGTA) for Exon 1; 1308 (5'-CTGGGAGAGCGGGTATTATTA) and 1309 (5'CTGGGCACGAGGCACTTGG) for Exon 2: and 1310 (5'-CTGCTCCACTTCCGCTATCG) and 1311 (5'-TGCCCCTTGCCTTATCTCAC) for Exon 3; and 1312 (5'-10 CCTGAGAGGCCGAGACTGACT) and 1313 (5'-GGAGAGATGGGATGCGTATGAA) for Exon 4. PCR conditions for these primers are Exon 1: 100ng genomic DNA, MgCl₂ 1.5 mM, dNTPs 250 mM, primers 50 pmol, Tag polymerase 0.5 Units, DMSO 5% in reaction volume of 50 ul with thermocycles of 15 94°C X 30secs, 58°C X 20secs, 72°C X 30secs, for 34 cycles. Exon 2: as for Exon 1 except MgCl₂ 2.5 mM, DMSO 10% and annealing temperature of 60°C. Exon 3: as for Exon 1 except MqCl₂ 2.5 mM, no DMSO, annealing temperature of 58°C. Exon 4: as for Exon 1 except MgCl₂ 1.5 mM, DMSO 5%, 20 and annealing temperature of 59°C.

These exons can then be sequenced using standard dideoxy-cycle sequencing methods employing primers 1316 (5'-CGGGCAACAACCAAAGTC) for Exon 1; 1317 (5'-CGGGTGGCACAGTTTTTA) for Exon 2; 1318 (5'-CCCCTTGCCTTATCTCAC) for Exon 3; 1319 (5'-CCCGGGAGAGGGCAGTGTC) and 1327 (5'-AACCGGGTCTTGAGTGCT) for Exon 4.

Analysis of the genomic sequences for Exons 1-4 of hWnt1 detected a T→A substitution at nucleotide 1441

30 (Figure 1: Accession #:X03072) in Exon 2 coding sequence which results in the non-conservative substitution of Ser88 by Arg (hWnt1 Ser88Arg) in an affected member of a pedigree (Tor117) segregating autopsy-proven Familial

in vertebrates above birds and in Xenopus, and is conservatively substituted by Ala or Thr in some lower vertebrates, and by Ala, Leu, Iso, or Thr in most other Wnt homologues such as Wnt3, Wnt3a, Wnt5, Wnt5a.

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Table 1

Accession # X03072 (G DB genome)

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cagctgagtg aggcgggcgc gcgtgggagg gtgtcccaag gggaggggtc cgcggccagt
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 5 61
        gtcagetete ggetcagaeg ggegggaaee acageceege tegetgeeca ttgtetgege
   121
        ccctaaccgg tgcgccctgg tgccacagtg cggcccggag gggcagcctc ctcccgtcac
   181
        ttcagccage geogeaacta taagaggegg tgeogeeege cgtggeegee tcageccaee
   241
   301
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20 961
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   1081 cgagcagccc tgggactact gggcacacac aagtctggac gcccagttct ttcaaattag
   1141 tgagcctggg agagcgggta ttattaatct cccgccattc tctccagcca cataccccca
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   1441 tgccgtgcgc gagtgcaagt ggcagttccg gaatcgccgc tggaactgtc ccactgctcc
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   1681 agctcggggc cagacttcta ccaggcgttt tccagccgtg caccctggaa acgaagctta
   1741 acttttctga gctactgccc cagataaaga aagtttcggg tcgcggacgc cggctgaccg
  · 1801 cogetttece ceagestate teaaaagege stgggaaget getetetgea ggegtgtgte
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Table 1 Continued

	2041	gcccgtggac	gtggctgcgt	gcccacgcac	ctgctttctc	tactagccct	agagaccagc
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	2161	cggtcccaag	cccttcatga	gggtgctggc	cgcgccccgc	gtaccccctc	gctgatcccc
5	2221	gctcccttct	cccacaggct	gtcgagaaac	ggcgtttatc	ttcgctatca	cctccgccgg
	2281	ggtcacccat	tcggtggcgc	gctcctgctc	agaaggttcc	atcgaatcct	gcacgtgtga
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	2581	ataaggcaag	gggcaccagg	agagggcgtc	ctgggagagc	cggaggcttg	gaacgaagac
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	2941	actctttctt	cccctatccc	cgcagaccgt	attctccgag	atgcgccagg	agtgcaagtg
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	3181	ccacaaaccg	ccctccccc	acgacctcgt	ctacttcgag	aaatcgccca	acttctgcac
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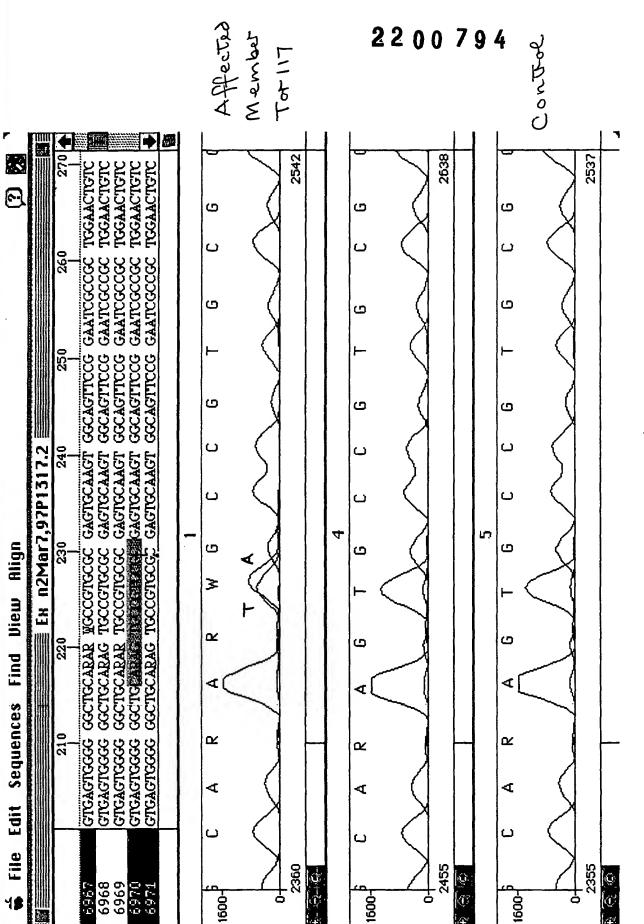


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